

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE OVERSIGHT, ELECTIONS, AND ETHICS

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326 House Office Building

Wednesday 9:30 A.M.

June 28, 2006

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**Representative Ward, Chair**, called the meeting to order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard.

**Representative Gillard** moved, supported by **Representative Elsenheimer**, to approve the minutes of the **June 7, 2006** meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

**The Chair** laid **HB 6128, HB 6129, HB 6130, HB 6131, HB 6132, HB 6133 and HB 6134** before the committee.

HB 6128	Ward	Campaign finance; contributions and expenditures; miscellaneous contribution and expenditure provision of the campaign finance act; revise.
HB 6129	Kooiman	Campaign finance; statements and reports; late filing fees; increase.
HB 6130	Taub	Campaign finance; statements and reports; independent expenditures by PACs within 45 days before election; require to be reported within 48 hours.
HB 6131	Jones	Campaign finance; independent expenditures; 48-hour disclosure; require.
HB 6132	Gaffney	Campaign finance; contributions and expenditures; payment of wages or salary to a candidate from campaign fund; prohibit.
HB 6133	Nofs	Campaign finance; public disclosure; telephone or electronic campaigning; require message to include payer's identification and whether approved by candidate, and revise identifying statement for radio or television campaign ads.
HB 6134	Baxter	Campaign finance; statements and reports; information required in committee organizational statements and campaign finance statements and filing schedule for campaign finance statements;

revise.

**Chairmen Ward**, sponsor of **HB 6128**, explained his bill to the committee.

**Representative Kooiman**, sponsor of **HB 6129**, explained his bill to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

**Chairmen Ward**, explained **HB 6130, HB 6131, HB 6131, HB 6132, HB 6133, and HB 6134** to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

**The Chair** proceeded with the business of the committee by introducing **Robert LaBrant**, Senior Vice President of Political Affairs and General Counsel for the Michigan Chamber of Commerce. Mr. LaBrant gave an overview of the HB 6128.\* Mr. LaBrant also submitted a testimony card indicating **support for the rest of the bills in this package (HB 6129 through HB 6134)**. Questions and discussion followed.

**Mark Brewer**, representing the Michigan Democratic Party, testified in **support of HB 6133 with amendments**. Questions and discussion followed.

**Rich Robinson**, representing the Michigan Campaign Finance Network, testified in **support of the package of bills before the committee on Campaign Finance Reform**. Questions and discussion followed.

**Doug Novak and Chris Thomas**, representing the Michigan Secretary of State, submitted written material on **Campaign Finance Reform**.\*

With no further business to come before the committee, **the Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **11:00 a.m.**

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Representative Ward, Chair

Dave Mead  
Committee Clerk  
June 28, 2006  
1 hour 30 minutes

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Date Approved and Signed

\* indicates printed material submitted.